

CRACK IAS PERFORMANCE IN GS MAINS 2014

GS MAIN PAPER - I					
QS NO	Question	Marks	FOUND IN CRACK IAS NOTES IN		
			SET NO.	PAGE NO.	PAPE R
1.	To what extent has the urban planning and culture of the Indus Valley Civilization	10	1 (Indian Culture)	Urban Planning (65), Culture (11, 15, 156, 164, 171)	I
2.	Gandhara sculpture owed as much to the Romans	10	1 (Indian Culture)	68	I
3.	Taxila university was one of the oldest universities of the world	-			
4.	The third battle of Panipat was fought in 1761.	-			
5.	Sufis and medieval mystic saints failed to modify either the religious ideas	-			I
6.	Examine critically the various facets of economic policies of the British	10	2 (Modern India)	41	I
7.	In what ways did the naval mutiny prove to be the last nail	10	2 (Modern India)	152	I
8.	What were the major political, economic and social developments in the world	10	4 (World History)	124, 144, 173, 183	I
9.	What were the events that led to the Suez Crisis in 1956?	10	4 (World History)	192, 201	I
10.	The New Economic Policy – 1921 of Lenin had influenced the Policies	10	4 (World History)	221, 128	I
11.	How does patriarchy impact the position of a middle class	10	5 (Indian Society)	29, 37, 42, 44, 48	I
12.	Why do some of the most prosperous regions of India have an adverse	10	5 (Indian Society)	57, 45	I
13.	The life cycle of a joint family depends on economic factors	10	5 (Indian Society)	1, 2, 172	I
14. *	Discuss the various economic and socio-cultural forces that are	10	5 (Indian Society)	163	I
15.	How do the Indian debates on secularism differ from the debates	10	5 (Indian Society)	214-218	I
16.	Most of the unusual climatic	10	7 (Current Affairs)	219-222	I

	happenings are explained as an outcome				
17.	Why are the world's fold mountain systems located along the margins	10	3 (World Geography)	161-167, 171-176	I
18.	Explain the formation of thousands of islands in Indonesian	10	3 (World Geography)	161-167	I
19.	Tropical cyclones are largely confined to South China Sea	10	3 (World Geography)	219-224	I
20.	Bring out the relationship between the shrinking Himalayan glaciers	10	3 (World Geography)	279, 264	I
21.	Whereas the British planters had developed tea gardens all along the Shivaliks	10	4 (Indian Geography)	11, 12	I
22.	Why did the Green Revolution in India virtually by-pass the eastern	10	4 (India After Independence)/ 4 (Indian Geography)	74, 75/ 18	I/ III
23. *	Account for the change in the spatial pattern of the Iron	10	3 (World Geography)	121	I
24.	Critically evaluate the various resources of the oceans	-			
25.	How does India see its place in the economic space	10	5 (International Relations)	109	II

GS MAIN PAPER - II

QS NO	Question	Marks	FOUND IN CRACK IAS NOTES IN		
			SET NO.	PAGE NO.	PAPER
1.	Starting from inventing the 'basic structure' doctrine, the judiciary has played	12 ½	1 (Polity)	134	II
2.	Though the federal principle is dominant in our Constitution and that principle	12 ½	1 (Polity)	7-8, 159, 171	II
3.	The 'Powers, Privileges and Immunities of Parliament and its Members'	12 ½	1 (Polity)/ 2 (Governance)/ 1 (Civil Services Values)	85/ 187/ 55	II/ II/ IV
4. *	What do you understand by the concepts "freedom of speech and expression"?	12 ½	1 (Polity)	31	II
5.	Instances of President's delay in commuting death sentences has come under	12 ½	7 (Current Affairs)	141	II
6.	The size of the cabinet should be as big as governmental work justifies and as big	-			
7. *	Though 100 percent FDI is already	12 ½	6 (Reports & Magazines)	244	II

	allowed in non-news media like a trade publication				
8.	The setting up of a Rail Tariff Authority to regulate fares will subject the cash	-			
9.	National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in India can be most effective when its tasks	12 ½	2 (Governance)	105	II
10.	The penetration of Self Help Groups (SHGs) in rural areas in promoting participation in development	12 ½	3 (Development Processes)	35	II
11. *	Do government's schemes for up-lifting vulnerable and backward	12 ½	2 (Indian Economy)	22-26	III
12.	An athlete participates in Olympics for personal triumph and nation's glory:	-			
13.	Should the premier institutes like IITs/IIMs be allowed to retain premier status	-			
14.	Has the Cadre based Civil Services Organization been the cause of slow	12 ½	2 (Governance)	230	II
15. *	Two parallel run schemes of the Government, viz. the Adhaar Card	12 ½	3 (Development Processes)	120-133, 368	II
16.	With respect to the South China sea, maritime territorial disputes and rising tension	12 ½	7 (current affairs)	45, 262	II
17.	The aim of Information technology Agreements (ITAs) is to lower all taxes	-			
18.	Some of the International funding agencies have special terms for economic	12 ½	2(Probity in Governance)/ 4 (Regional Organisations)	134/ 10-15, 167-169	IV/ II
19.	India has recently signed to become founding member of New Development Bank (NDB)	12 ½	7 (Current Affairs)/ 5 (International Relations)	60/ 150	II
20.	WTO is an important international institution where decisions taken affect countries	12 ½	7 (Current Affairs)/ 4 (Regional Organisations)	71/ 87	II

GS MAIN PAPER - III

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			SET NO.	PAGE NO.	PAPER
1. *	Normally countries shift from agriculture to industry and then	12 ½	2 (Economy)	79-81, 33-37	III
2.	While we flaunt India's demographic dividend, we ignore the dropping	12 ½	2 (Economy)	220, 32-45	III
3.	There is also a point of view that Agricultural Produce Market	12 ½	4 (Geography) 2 (Economy)	162 104, 142	III
4.	In the villages itself on form of credit organization will be suitable	12 ½	3 (Development Processes)	44	III
5.	The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land	12 ½			
6.	Capitalism has guided the world economy to unprecedented	12 ½	2 (Economy)	114, 79	III
7.	Explain how Private Public Partnership arrangements	12 ½	2 (Economy)/ 4 (Geography)	106, 267/ 283	III
8.	National Urban Transport Policy emphasises on moving people	12 ½			
9. *	Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the defence sector is now	12 ½	6 (Reports & Magazines)	244	III
10.	Scientific research in Indian universities is declining	12 ½			
11.	Can overuse and free availability of antibiotics without Doctor's	12 ½	7 (Current Affairs)	204, 206, 84, 237	III
12.	In a globalized world, intellectual Property Rights assume	12 ½	2 (Indian Economy)/ 4 (Regional Organisations)	275/ 112-113	III/ II
13.	Should the pursuit of carbon credits and clean development	12 ½	3 (Environment)/ 4 (Geography)	149, 255/ 243	III
14.	Drought has been recognized as a disaster in view of its spatial	12 ½			
15.	Environmental Impact Assessment studies are increasingly	12 ½	3 (Environment)	95-98, 261	III
16.	The diverse nature of India as a multi-ethnic society	12 ½	5 (Security Related Issues)	74, 82	III
17.	International civil aviation laws provide all countries complete	12 ½			
18.	How does illegal trans border migration pose a threat	12 ½	5 (Security Related Issues)	112	III
19.	In 2012, the longitudinal marking for high-risk areas	12 ½			
20. *	China and Pakistan have entered into an agreement for development	12 ½	5 (International Relations)	10	II

GS MAIN PAPER - IV

QS NO	Question	Marks	FOUND IN CRACK IAS NOTES IN		
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1. a	All human beings aspire for happiness	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)	Several Places	IV
b	What does ethics seek to promote	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)	5, 38	IV
2. a	In the context of defence services,	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)	128, 68, 117	IV
b	What do you understand by probity	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)/ 2 (Probity in Governance)	38/ 21	IV
3. a	Integrity without knowledge is weak	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)/ 3 (Attitude & Ethics)	38, 105/ 156	IV
b	Human beings should always be	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)	Several Places	IV
4. a	Which eminent personality	10	4 (Ethics & Human Values)	92 Onwards	IV
b	There is a heavy ethical responsibility	10	2 (Probity in Governance)	21-28	IV
5. a	The current society is plagued with	10	3 (Attitude and Ethics)	156 onwards	IV
b	It is often said that poverty leads	10	1 (Civil Service Values & Ethics)	139	IV
6. a	What factors affect the formation	10	3 (Attitude and Ethics)	6 onwards	IV
7.	What does accountability mean in the context of public service	10	1 (Civil Service Values & Ethics)	12-38, 79-98	IV
8.	We are witnessing increasing instances of sexual violence	10	7 (Current Affairs)	79, 157	IV
9.	Now-a-days, there is an increasing thrust on economic development	20	Several case studies have been covered in Set-V similar to the ones asked. Basic concepts have been given so that students are able to answer the related questions.		IV
10.	Suppose one of your close friends, who is also aspiring for civil	20			
11.	You are a no-nonsense, honest officer. You have been transferred	20			
12.	Suppose you are the CEO of a company that manufactures	20			
13.	Rameshwar successfully cleared the prestigious civil services exam	20			
14.	In our country, the migration of rural people to towns and cities	20			

TOTAL MARKS OF GS MAINS (PAPER I-IV)

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= 822.5 MARKS

Questions marked with* are those which either require application of mind or little assistance to complete the answer